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Classified By: Acting Political Minister-Counselor Jonathan Cohen for Reasons 1.4 (B) and (D)

¶1. (C) Poloff delivered Reftel demarche to Italian MFA Acting Director for Nonproliferation and Arms Control Emanuele Farruggia on January 15. Farruggia said that Italy should have no trouble submitting its Hague Code of Conduct Annual Declaration on space and ballistic missile policies by the March 31 deadline, just as it did last year. Italy regularly reminds other subscribing states of the importance of submitting Annual Declarations on time. Because Italy does not launch ballistic missiles, its submissions are normally straightforward, dealing primarily with Italian satellite projects launched by other states (e.g. Russia, the U.S., or India), but it does not use the simplified "nil form" for its submissions.

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